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Peach King's Fruit Not Injured By Cold

Hartford, May 18.—The cold weather will not hurt the famous Hale peach orchards in Glastonbury unless there is a heavy frost later, which is improbable at this time. John H. Hale, otherwise known as the "peach king," left yesterday afternoon for his Southern bungalow in Florida, where he has orchards. He will be away 10 days or a fortnight and will get things ready for his first shipment while away. The Florida peaches will begin to be picked about June 1.

The Florida crop will not measure up to the standard in quantity, as the frosts down there destroyed thousands of buds. Instead of shipping 4,000 carloads, but 5,000 carloads will come North. The prices will be slightly higher, and the quality will be on a par with the prices.

The Glastonbury peach trees are getting along nicely for there has been no frost. The work of spraying and trimming will begin next week.

Rourke-Boucher Co. Registers At Capitol

The Rourke-Boucher Co. of Bridgeport has organized. The officers are: President and treasurer, James T. Rourke; secretary, Stephen F. Boucher. The officers, with James A. Rourke also of Bridgeport, are directors. The capital stock authorized is \$7,500, divided into seventy-five shares of common stock, par value \$100. The amount of capital stock paid in is \$7,500 in property other than cash.

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FORBES-ROBERTSON IS WARM ADVOCATE OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE

English Actor Says Woman Must Back Up to Her Responsibilities

Fact That Some Women Do Not Want the Vote Should Not Thwart Progress

"Woman must buck up to her responsibilities," said Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson in speaking of the number of women who have not availed themselves in favor of the vote.

The great English actor who is making his farewell appearance in this city, this and tomorrow night, is an ardent advocate of suffrage for women.

Perhaps the most striking characteristics about Sir Johnston are his active, angular face and his deep-toned, expressive voice. Once you meet him you are struck by a strong yet sympathetic personality.

"I haven't talked much about the subject in this country," said the eminent actor when I told him that on the great stage the favored votes for women I had come for his reasons, "because I thought that over here it was a matter for yourselves to settle. But I feel very strongly on the subject. I have talked a great deal upon it in England and I know a great many of the militants personally.

"Of course the vote itself is a more side issue. The whole thing has been up everything to women. All sex barriers should be thrown down and women given an equal chance with men in every endeavor."

Sir Johnston talks continuously and reflectively.

"I think the men here are much more civil about it than in England. They say very nice things about it and their general attitude seems to be one of leniency toward the question. At home they are very bitter and when you out-argue an anti, he'll usually end by saying:

"My wife," continued Sir Johnston, "is president of the Actors' Equal Franchise League at home. It is a very splendid organization and growing all the time."

"I told him that we had a very strong and energetic suffrage organization in Connecticut which hoped to have covered the West very thoroughly and I am very interested in the situation there. But you are all going to have it some day. Why, just think, eleven years ago the anti-suffragists said:

"There are a thousand things which a woman can look after so much better than a man," said the great actor, going back to the "why for of suffrage." "Even the anti-admit that she will wield an enormous power but they claim that she must keep this power 'sub rosa.' If she has such a power 'sub rosa,' why not make it open and above board?"

"Most of the women at home of official power, are anti but that is very natural since they now enjoy all the power possible, and the franchise would not increase but rather decrease their power to a certain extent. Of course over there, there is still the rather medieval feeling that a wife is more or less 'goods and chattels.'"

"Equal suffrage is going to clear the atmosphere of politics a great deal."

"But the anti claim that it hasn't accomplished that in the West," I interposed.

"Oh, but it has to a certain extent," he said, "for I understand the situation very thoroughly out there. But it is still a very new thing and we mustn't regard the vote as a panacea for all evil but must look into the future and see what it will accomplish for our children and our children's children."

"There are a great many women who say that they do not want the vote but isn't that what your negro slaves said and still you gave them the franchise?"

I suggested that it was the fear of the responsibilities attached to the vote that made most of the women not want it.

"Woman must buck up to her responsibilities," said the great actor. Talking of the militants and how they were suspending their activities and loyally supporting the government in this crisis, brought us to the war.

"The British are entirely to blame," said Sir Johnston, "for not listening to their wise men and being prepared. As we have to pay for every piece of negligence they are paying for it at a hundred times the price what it would have cost to be ready. My father said to me at the end of the Franco-Prussian war:

"Well, we have allowed France to be humiliated and although I may not live to see it, you will find that Germany will attempt to humiliate England, and that she is even now preparing to do so."

"Our wise men knew what was going on but many who ought to have known better seemed to have been hoodwinked."

Sir Johnston is to complete his tour within a few days and to sail for home on June 5th. His original plan was that this season would conclude his American tour but events of the war may cause him to return here in October. In that event he will follow a southern route and play cities where he has not before made his farewell appearance.

"I don't think that the war will be ended then," he said, "but one can only cling to the hope that it will be."

EMILY EMMETT.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO HIS FELLOW THESIAN IN SPEECH OF FAREWELL

Springfield, May 18.—Last evening in the Court Square Theatre, last, Forbes-Robertson played Hamlet, his favorite part, to a packed house. He was called again and again before the curtain and at the close of the performance the audience stood applauding him only ceasing when he made a motion to speak. After thanking them for the unusual ovation and bidding them farewell for all time, he paid a most unusual tribute to a fellow actor, Robert B. Mantell who is to appear here next week.

"You people of Springfield," he said "are to have a very unusual opportunity

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ity to see an eminent actor in the roles of Shakespeare. Mr. Mantell and his splendid company are to give seven performances of these immortal dramas. This is a great educational opportunity and I hope that you will all endeavor to attend every performance."

The words were as pleasing as they were generous and the people of Springfield departed, feeling that the great actor had given them a fleeting glimpse of his inner nature.

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HOUSE KILLS JITNEY BILL WITH WHOOP

Special to The Farmer

Hartford, May 18.—The awaited jitney regulation bill came into the House from the Senate, this morning, and the House killed it with a whoop, partly to avenge itself for the delay, and partly to prove its lack of sympathy with those who would smother competition with the trolley systems. The bill had been passed by the Senate. It imposed an additional fee of \$1 upon automobiles used for public carriers, and charged 50 cents for markers.

Two Prisoners Make Escape From Cheshire

Hartford, May 18.—John Netz, 19 years old, of Thomaston, and Louis Terry, 24, of Fairfield county, inmates of the state reformatory at Cheshire, who escaped Saturday, were captured toward Waterbury. Netz and Terry were employed with a gang on the improvement of the roadway between Middale and Cheshire, and sneaked into a clump of bushes, where they hid until night. They had only six more months to serve. They will be arraigned before the superior court, charged with escaping from the institution. The maximum penalty is 12 years in state prison.

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WISSNER WAREROOMS

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMPLETES WORK

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have no speech to make and will not try to make one. This is the first opportunity I have had to look upon a General Assembly since one sent me to Washington four years ago. I could not resist the temptation to drop in before it was too late. I had no idea that the courtesies of the chamber would be extended to me or that you would expect me to say something. You may expect me to say something nice but I am not given to flattery. I have learned to suspect the tongue of flattery. In my opinion you have done many things wisely and well but being human, you have done some things not wisely and left some things undone. You have my sympathy. We have many ready to give good and wise advice but the difficulty is in distinguishing good from bad wisdom and the market value of the whole product remains about the same. I repeat that you have done your best. You can't agree with everybody for the very best of us disagree with each other. I have a feeling of sympathy if your consciences are troubling you. I don't say they do. I have had experiences in your line. I was first sent here in 1882. That was a long time ago. That was a greater event in my career for everything was ahead of me; the rest of it is behind me; then I knew it all; now I know that I do not know it all. Then I found it difficult to agree with myself. You may feel that you have been criticised unjustly and criticism of honest men doesn't hurt. It is my experience, and it will be yours, that men who disagree with you will be patient and forgive if they are satisfied that you acted on your honest convictions.

"I congratulate you on your labors at an end. You have been brief, which is one thing greatly to your credit. Brevity is not only the sign of wit but the soul of wise legislation."

"I can express a deep sense of gratitude to the people of Connecticut for the they have done for me. On the whole our fellow-citizens are good fellows. They are patient and kind. If you have used them well they will use you well and they will send you here next time whether you want to come or not."

"These are trying times in the history of the world; strange times; times none of us ever expected would come and we wonder, most of us, whether, after all, there is a chance for the peace-maker to come into his inheritance. I am sure that the people of this country prefer justice to justice and we have the opportunity that never came to any other people in history. My belief is that we will not lose that opportunity. We must remember to take advantage of that opportunity."

We must keep cool. Men who keep cool count. Men who have kept cool have preserved all that we have had through the ages. The Great Apostle said that when He was weak then was He strong. It is my belief, prayer and hope, that the people of this country can be generous in victory and in a victory which will bring peace and good will."

"I congratulate you on your relations with the executive and congratulate the executive on his relations with you. He has been the best one since 1901 (laughter). He vetoed only one bill. I vetoed none. There are ways better than the veto power and that is to give the people what they want and they can find out what the people want by frequent consultations with the leaders."

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LEGISLATURE IGNORES MANSFIELD TO INCORPORATE INSURANCE CO. FORMED BY LOCAL POLITICIANS

(Special to The Farmer.) Hartford, May 18.—Ignoring the suggestion of the insurance committee the General Assembly in the final rush of business has jammed through the bill incorporating the commercial insurance company of Bridgeport. The incorporators named in the bill are Elmore S. Banks, William E. Seeley, Edward K. Nicholson, Arthur F. Connor and J. A. H. Robinson.

When the bill was first introduced Insurance Commissioner Mansfield protested against the granting of a charter because of the fact that a paid in capital of only \$25,000 was required to begin business. He also suggested that the company be required to create a surplus of not less than \$100,000.

On a report from the insurance committee the Senate last Friday afternoon passed a bill granting the charter with the requirements that a paid in capital of \$250,000 be subscribed before business is begun and that the company create a surplus of \$100,000.

When the bill got to the House it was amended so that the required surplus is but \$25,000. In its amended form it passed the House and was returned to the Senate where the amendment was also accepted.

In objecting to the small surplus Insurance Commissioner Mansfield pointed out that such a sum as \$25,000 would be quickly dispersed in the establishing and equipping of agencies. The legislature, however, saw fit to disregard his suggestions.

The company is authorized to increase its capital stock at any time to a sum not exceeding one million dollars.

To Investigate Case of Boy Hit By Auto

Coroner J. J. Phelan will investigate the case of Charles Curtis, aged 12, of Norwalk, who ran in front of a motor bus while on his way home from school yesterday afternoon and was killed.

The coroner will be busy this afternoon with the Bartlett inquest testimony and it is probable he will go to Norwalk tomorrow. Curtis' skull was fractured at the base and he was almost instantly killed.